



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5541

February Session, 2014



AN ACT CONCERNING THE THOMPSONVILLE FIRE DISTRICT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 1 of number 460 of the special acts of 1935 is
2 amended to read as follows (*Effective October 1, 2014*):

3 At the annual meeting of the Thompsonville Fire and Sewer District
4 in June, 1935, three electors of said district shall be chosen by ballot as
5 a board of fire commissioners. One of said commissioners shall be
6 chosen to serve until February, 1936, one until February, 1937, and one
7 until February, 1938, and, at each subsequent annual meeting of said
8 district to be held as hereinafter provided, one member of said board
9 shall be elected who shall serve for a term of three years and until his
10 successor shall be elected. At the annual meeting in May, 2015, two
11 electors of said district shall be chosen by ballot as additional
12 commissioners and sworn in immediately thereafter. Said additional
13 commissioners shall serve terms continuing until May, 2018, and
14 thereafter shall be elected to serve for terms of three years and until
15 their successors shall be elected. At said annual meeting and annually
16 thereafter, there shall be elected two auditors for said district who shall
17 audit the records of the tax collector and treasurer of said district and
18 report to the succeeding annual district meeting.

19 Sec. 2. Section 4 of number 460 of the special acts of 1935, as

20 amended by number 161 of the special acts of 1937, number 481 of the
21 special acts of 1953 and section 1 of special act 09-5, is amended to read
22 as follows (*Effective October 1, 2014*):

23 (a) The annual district meeting of The Thompsonville Fire District
24 shall be held on the second or third Thursday of May of each year
25 beginning May, 1954, and notices of such annual meetings and any
26 special meetings which may be called shall be made in the manner
27 prescribed for town meetings. The said Thompsonville Fire District is
28 created a body politic and corporate by the name of The
29 Thompsonville Fire District, and through said board of fire
30 commissioners shall have perpetual succession and shall be a person in
31 law capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded,
32 purchasing, holding and conveying real and personal estate requisite
33 for the purposes of maintaining a department and for the protection of
34 property within said district from fire and making appropriations for
35 the same, and may, at regular meetings, lay taxes upon ratable estate
36 within the limits of said district for the purposes and objects
37 authorized by number 460 of the special acts of 1935, as amended by
38 number 161 of the special acts of 1937, [and] number 481 of the special
39 acts of 1953, [and this section] special act 09-5 and this act.

40 (b) Said board of fire commissioners shall submit any proposed
41 annual budget of the district to the electors of the district, for approval
42 by referendum at the annual district meeting. If the electors reject the
43 proposed budget, the commissioners shall submit a revised budget to
44 the electors and call a special meeting for the purpose of holding
45 another referendum on the proposed budget, to take place not more
46 than two weeks after the annual meeting date. The commissioners
47 shall continue to call such special meetings for the purpose of holding
48 referenda on the proposed budget until the electors have approved a
49 budget. In the event the electors have not approved a budget, the
50 district shall operate under the most recently approved budget.

51 ~~[(b)]~~ (c) The following shall be electors of the district: (1) Any person
52 residing within the limits of the district and qualified to vote in the

53 affairs of the town of Enfield; and (2) any citizen of the United States of
54 the age of eighteen, or more, who is liable to the district for taxes
55 assessed against such citizen. Electors may vote on any matter or
56 question at an annual or special meeting of the district. Electors may
57 vote for commissioners from six o'clock a.m. until eight o'clock p.m. on
58 the day of an annual or special meeting.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2014</i>	Number 460 of the special acts of 1935, Sec. 1
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2014</i>	Number 460 of the special acts of 1935, Sec. 4

PD *Joint Favorable Subst.*